Prevention Workgroup

February

Attendees: Laura Alvarez, TDoC

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Notes and Action Steps:

Agenda Item	Notes	Action Item
Welcome and Introductions	Laura Alvarez has accepted the position of co-chair of	
	the Prevention Workgroup	
Implementation Progress	 DMHSAS updated workgroup on the upcoming media events West Tennessee has agreed to host an event, 	•
	which is scheduled for March 9 th .	
	 Knoxville CoC and Tennessee Valley CoC are 	
	coordinating to host an event for later in	
	March.	
	 HART CoC and Chattanooga have also expressed interest in hosting. 	
Action Step Review and	Review of each action step assigned to the Prevention	TDMHSAS will
Discussion	Workgroup and f/up from the November meeting.	create a tracking
	• 1.1.6 and 1.1.7	system of CoC and
	 In each of the workgroup meetings it has been 	other plan
	discussed that steps 1.1.1-1.1.7 should be	awareness events
	moved to being led by the CoC	TDMHSAS to f/up
	• 2.4	with NaaDzama
	 Discussed creating a tracking system of CoC 	regarding SOAR
	events and who has been informed of the plan	and DoC
	 Discussed combining 2.4 and 2.5 	Laura to f/up with Anna regarding
	• 5.2	Anne regarding SOAR and CM
	 The previous workgroup meeting DHS reported 10% of funds being set aside for pre- 	training
	employment services. Need to follow up with	TDMHSAS to pull
	Stephanie regarding this step.	numbers on
	• 5.4	IPS/SOAR
	 Discussed possibly combining this step with 	coordination for
	5.2	the next meeting
	 CoCs were provided information about the 	and Governor's
	local workforce boards – f/up with CoCs to	report.
	determine who connected with the boards.	TDMHSAS to f/up
	F/up to find out if the board plans are	with DCS regarding

available now.

- 6.1
- F/up with NaadZama (state SOAR Specialist) to find out if she and Anna Elsberry from TDoC connected regarding training TDoC case managers with SOAR
- 6.2
- SAMHSA has been conducting an IPS/SOAR pilt with several CABHI states, including Tennessee. This May Jen Elder who ishelping to coordinate and lead that pilot, will be speaking at our state's IPS conference.
- TDMHSAS will pull together numbers regarding IPS and SOAR for reporting purposes.
- 7.1
- Annette Haley from DOH has put together a resource guide for the homeless of the different health services available. The pdf of this guide can be found on the tn.gov/endhomelessness website and will also be sent out to the workgroups and ICH
- 8.2
- DCS to partner regional DCS staff with their local CoCs to develop referral processes and learn what services the CoC provides and what DCS assistance is available to former and aged out youth.
 - CoC to DCS: youth age 18-21 who were previously in care. Ensure good screening questions are being asked of the youth that properly identify previous custodial episodes and refer to DCS either through the hotline or online form.
 - DCS to CoC: For youth 18+ who do not qualify for DCS services for one reason or another, DCS could refer to local CoC for assistance.
- Discuss with Lisa of Knox County who oversaw a youth PIT count the night of the city wide PIT.
- 8.3
- Discussed combining with 8.2 but needing to hear from DCS before making final decision.
- After f/up with DCS, it was determined not to combine them at this time.

Objective 8 action steps

	 9.3 During the discussion of former steps towards implementation it was decided that we had veered off course of this action step and the workgroup thought it would be best to elevate to the ICH for further clarification of it's intent. Also discussed was the possibility of adding TCCY to the Council and the concern that they are primarily an advocacy group and it may not be in the best interest to begin having advocacy groups on the council. 10.3 This action step is in process in each CoC
Prevention Workgroup Participation	 At the end of the workgroup it was discussed that we may need to bring in more people to this workgroup as there is often poor attendance or use another process to schedule the workgroups to ensure greater participation.